

REMARKS

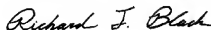
The Examiner has objected to the specification because Figure 18 has been omitted from the Brief Description of the Drawings. The specification has been amended so that it now includes a brief description of Figure 18. The brief description is nothing more than a subset of the text on page 19, paragraph 2 of the application as filed. Therefore, no new matter has been added.

CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, Applicants respectfully request that this application be allowed to issue as a patent. If there are any remaining matters that may be handled by telephone conference, the Examiner is kindly invited to call the undersigned at his convenience.

Respectfully submitted,

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